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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

ATTENTION : Mr. [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT : Proposed Training for NSA Officers

1. I refer to the discussion we had on 9 November stemming from my inquiry to Hugh Cunningham regarding some training for NSA staff who are deeply involved in providing technical advice and assistance to the CS in SIGINT operations. You outlined orally for me OTR capabilities and background in such training programs, noting particularly Project USEFUL, the week on the CS in the DDS&T mid-career course, and the four-day briefing on the CS provided to FSO's of the Foreign Service.

2. With this background I carried my explorations further through a discussion with Dr. Tordella, Deputy Director, NSA, on 12 November. Together we recognize the considerable benefit which would derive from training orientation of several dozens or more NSA staff whose work deals with CS operations. We did not go into the specifics more than to note that the above courses would certainly have useful material in them: The course could be from several days to a week; perhaps 50 NSA'ers would benefit from such training; it should be given periodically; and, on the CS side, it might well be a course which CS officers who have SIGINT responsibilities might attend.

3. As a next step would you kindly send me the curricula of the above three courses and such other curricular material which you might consider applicable. At a later date I will want to review the material with you, probably in conjunction with Dr. Tordella or his representatives.

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